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**INTERCONTINENTAL SAN DIEGO SOLIDIFIES EXECUTIVE TEAM UNDER LEADERSHIP OF
GENERAL MANAGER, DAVID HALL, AHEAD OF AUGUST 2018 OPENING**

Veteran Hotelier Has Returned to the InterContinental Family to Spearhead Opening of New Halo Property

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (July 26, 2018) – [InterContinental San Diego](#) is pleased to announce the completion of its executive committee appointments prior to the hotel's official opening on August 28, 2018. General Manager, David Hall, will be leading the team of seasoned hoteliers for this highly anticipated new San Diego hotspot. Returning to InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) and the city of San Diego he previously called home, Hall will be at the helm of this 400-room luxury hotel located on the pristine San Diego bayfront. This will be his second ground-up opening with IHG, having successfully opened the InterContinental Chicago O'Hare in 2008. With over 20 years of hospitality experience and a proven track record of success and leadership, Hall brings incredible industry knowledge and expertise to his role with InterContinental San Diego.

Preceding his return to San Diego in October 2017, Hall served as President and Chief Operating Officer for Portfolio Hotels and Resorts, based in Chicago, Illinois. Hall was responsible for overseeing Portfolio's management division which includes over 20 hotels in locations such as New York, Chicago, Colorado, Monterey Bay, and Southern California. Prior to his tenure with Portfolio Hotels and Resorts, Hall served six years as Managing Director of San Diego's iconic Paradise Point Resort & Spa. Among many achievements during his time there, Hall worked directly with LaSalle Hotel Partners (NYSE:LHO) and Destination Hotels to reposition the asset, where he doubled revenue and profit on the 44-acre island.

Hall's previous hospitality experience spans wide, having managed hotels across the country including Chicago City Centre Hotel, Westin Atlanta Airport, and Crowne Plazas of Atlanta. He was named "Hotelier of the Year" by the Georgia Hospitality and Travel Association in 2001 and Managing Director of the Year 2012 by Destination Hotels.

David Hall will oversee InterContinental San Diego's talented executive committee which includes a total of ten seasoned team members. Idalith Santiago, Director of Human Resources, brings over 15 years of hospitality experience to her role, leading the recruiting efforts to secure top talent for San Diego's new luxury resort. Paul McCabe, Director of Food, Beverage & Culinary Operations, draws on more than 30 years of culinary expertise where he has made a name for himself by putting some of San Diego's top hotels on the map, including L'Auberge Del Mar's KITCHEN 1540. Rebecca Brown, Director of Events & Catering Operations, has unparalleled regional experience having opened Hilton San Diego Bayfront and leading event operations at Paradise Point Resort & Spa. Lisa Bell, appointed as Director of Sales & Marketing, will utilize her 20 years of expertise to lead all group sales efforts for the new hotel. Kathy Skaleski, Director of Revenue Optimization, is highly skilled at forecasting and outperforming her competitors and previously worked on the openings of two hotels, including InterContinental Chicago. Dana Flower brings her wealth of San Diego hospitality knowledge and marketing expertise to her new role as Director of Marketing & Communications for the property after

holding similar roles with Pacific Hospitality Group and Destination Hotel & Resorts. Sonny Cataldo, Director of Engineering, hales from Boston, MA and has worked with some of the world's most iconic hotels including Hotel Del Coronado, Shutters on the Beach, and the Grand Wailea. Jizelle Del Rosario will serve as Director of Finance & Business Support, following 19 years of hospitality experience in both the Chicago and San Diego markets. Irene Romero, Director of Rooms, comes to InterContinental San Diego holding a record of successful hotel openings including Hotel San Remo, Hard Rock Hotel and Casino – Las Vegas, and most recently, Holiday Inn – Cleveland Clinic.

Redefining the San Diego waterfront and ushering in a wave of sophistication to the downtown area, the forthcoming InterContinental San Diego will boast a pristine coastal location looking out to the San Diego Bay, five distinctive on-property dining outlets, 95,000 square feet of meeting space, and impeccable service synonymous of the InterContinental brand. This will be the sixth InterContinental in California and the pivotal property to solidify the brand's presence along the coast with current locations in Monterey, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. For more information on InterContinental San Diego, visit www.intercontinentalsandiego.com.

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